

In the Specification:

At page 9, please amend Table-I as set forth below:

Primers	Location	S/ AS	Nt. Position	Sequence
SEQ ID No. 4 <u>3</u> (SP-A2 F)	Exon 4	S	1602-1631	5' TGCCTCGTCCGCATTCACCCCTC AGAC TGC 3'
SEQ ID No. 2 <u>4</u> (SP-A2 R)	Intron 4	AS	1980-2009	5' TGCCTGGAGCCCCCTGGTGTCCCT GGAGAGC 3'

At page 10, lines 1-3, please amend the paragraph as follows:

Invention also provides oligonucleotide sequences (as listed in SEQ ID NO. 4-2 3-4, Table-I), suitable for use as allele specific primers for the detection of polymorphic sites listed in table-II.

At page 11, lines 12-18, please amend the paragraph as follows:

The first polymorphic site (A) as shown in FIG. 1, had either a G or a C. The second polymorphic site (B) contains either A or a G base. While the first substitution changes the amino acid sequence from Alanine to Proline, the second substitution is neutral. For example, the nucleotide sequence of the allelic variant of exon 4 of human SP-A2 gene having polymorphic sites as listed in table-II may be

5' gccccatggg tccacctgga gaaatgccat gtcctctgg aatgtatggg
ctgcctggag cccctggtat ccctggagag tgtggagaga agggggaggc
tggcgagaga gcccctccag 3' (SEQ ID NO: 2).

At page 15, lines 1-5, please amend the paragraph as follows:

The DNA was then amplified by PCR by using the oligonucleotide primers:

5' TGC CTG GAG CCC CTG GTG TCC CTG (SEQ. ID. No. 4)

GAG AGC 3' (Forward)

5' TGC CTC GTC CGC ATT CAC CCT TCA (SEQ. ID. No. 2 3)

GAC TGC 3' (Reverse).

At page 16, line 22, please amend the sentence as follows:

Provided below is sequence listing information for SEQ ID Nos. 4 4 and 2 3, respectively.

At page 17, line 2, please amend the title as follows:

INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID No. 4

At page 17, line 10, please amend the designation as follows:

SEQUENCE ID # 4

At page 17, line 11, please amend the title as follows:

INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID No.2 3

At page 17, line 19, please amend the designation as follows:

SEQUENCE ID # 2 3